

REMARKS

Applicants appreciate the consideration of the present application afforded by the Examiner. Claims 1-62 were previously pending. Claims 7, 9-10, 12-14, 17, 19-20, 22-24, 34-39, 45-49, and 52-56 are canceled herein. Allowance of the present application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants appreciate that claims 1-6, 8, 11, 15-16, 18, 21, 25-33, 40-44, 50 and 51 are indicated as being allowed.

In the interest of expedited prosecution, Applicants have cancelled the rejected claims. The cancellation of the rejected claims should not be construed as acquiescence by Applicants to the arguments presented by the Examiner in the Office Action, and Applicants reserve the right to pursue the limitations of the cancelled claims in any potential continuing application based upon the present application.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Notice of same is earnestly solicited.

CONCLUSION

All objections and rejections raised in the Office Action having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. Notice of same is earnestly solicited.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

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